CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

- S.R. 9 By Tejeda: Extending best wishes to the M. W. St. Joseph Grand Lodge AF & AM of Texas and the Mount Olive Order of the Eastern Star in their celebration of the commitment to the vision of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for a world free of racial strife.
- S.R. 10 By Caperton: Extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marco Perrone.

ADJOURNMENT

The President announced the purpose of the Joint Session had been accomplished and declared the Senate at 12:22 p.m. would stand adjourned until 11:00 a.m. Monday, January 19, 1987, in accordance with a motion previously adopted by the Senate.

THIRD DAY

(Monday, January 19, 1987)

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Anderson, Armbrister. Barrientos, Blake, Brooks, Brown, Caperton, Edwards, Farabee, Glasgow, Green, Harris, Henderson, Johnson, Jones, Krier, Leedom, Lyon, McFarland, Montford, Parker, Parmer, Santiesteban, Sims, Tejeda, Truan, Uribe, Washington, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Absent-excused: Sarpalius.

A quorum was announced present.

Senate Doorkeeper Jim Morris offered the invocation as follows:

Father, we come before You once again, gathered in trust and with confidence this is a good work. Our prayer today is that You bless and strengthen each of us and You will look with favor on the faithful and dedicated efforts of these who manage the public's business. Amen.

On motion of Senator Brooks and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, January 15, 1987, was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator Sarpalius was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Senator Glasgow.

RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The President announced the signing in the presence of the Senate the following enrolled resolutions:

S.C.R. 1 S.C.R. 2 S.C.R. 4

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

House Chamber January 19, 1987

HONORABLE W. P. HOBBY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SIR: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

S.C.R. 6, Directing that a suitable portrait of Governor Mark White be placed in the rotunda of the Texas Capitol.

Respectfully,

BETTY MURRAY, Chief Clerk House of Representatives

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.C.R. 7 by Washington

Jurisprudence
Granting Pringle-Dixon-Pringle permission to sue the State of Texas and The
University of Texas System Cancer Center—M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor
Institute.

S.C.R. 8 by Green Jurisprudence Granting Mott Construction Corporation permission to sue the State of Texas and Texas Southern University.

S.C.R. 12 by Parker Administration Creating a committee to designate a Texas State Artist for the year beginning May 1, 1987, and ending April 30, 1988, and a Texas State Artist for the year beginning May 1, 1988, and ending April 30, 1989.

S.B. 114 by Leedom Criminal Justice Relating to the punishment applicable to certain offenses involving theft from a retail business.

S.B. 115 by Leedom, Sims

State Affairs
Relating to the organization, powers, and duties of the State Purchasing and General
Services Commission.

S.B. 116 by Montford Criminal Justice Relating to the creation of the offense of possessing, manufacturing, transporting, repairing, or selling a spring-propelled knife.

S.B. 117 by Montford Economic Development Relating to the period of effectiveness of a financing statement.

S.B. 118 by Montford Intergovernmental Relations Relating to the jurisdiction of and prosecutions in the county courts at law of Lubbock County and to the creation of the County Court at Law No. 3 of Lubbock County.

S.B. 119 by Montford

Finance

Relating to the collection and use of fees charged for certain publications issued by the Texas Aeronautics Commission.

S.B. 120 by Montford

Jurisprudence

Relating to the definition of the term "intoxicated" for purposes of the prosecution of the offense of involuntary manslaughter involving the use of a motor vehicle.

S.B. 121 by Montford

Jurisprudence

Relating to the appointment and power of disclaimer of a guardian or representative for an unborn or unascertained beneficiary.

S.B. 122 by Montford

Jurisprudence

Relating to the payment or transfer at death of certain death benefits.

S.B. 124 by Washington

Criminal Justice

Relating to the expunction of arrest records.

S.B. 125 by Truan

Intergovernmental Relations Relating to the power of coastal counties, on a local option basis, to enact ordinances; providing a penalty.

S.B. 126 by Lyon

Criminal Justice

Relating to the issuance of a search warrant based on the sworn oral statement of a peace officer to a magistrate.

S.B. 127 by Green

Jurisprudence

Relating to the service of civil process by constables.

S.B. 128 by Green

State Affairs

Relating to benefits from the Employees Retirement System of Texas for officers and employees of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

S.B. 129 by Blake

Administration

Relating to reports of state agencies to the Antiquities Committee.

S.B. 130 by Farabee

Intergovernmental Relations

Relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, operation, and financing of the Jack County Hospital District; authorizing a tax; granting the authority to issue bonds: and granting the power of eminent domain.

S.B. 131 by Barrientos

Criminal Justice

Relating to certain presumptions applicable to the offense of evading arrest and to the penalties imposed upon conviction of the offense.

S.B. 132 by Barrientos

Health and Human Services

Relating to restrictions on membership to the Texas Board on Aging.

S.B. 133 by Parker

Intergovernmental Relations

Relating to optional credit and benefits for certain members of the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

S.B. 134 by Parker

State Affairs

Relating to submission of evidence of financial responsibility on registration and inspection of a motor vehicle.

S.B. 135 by Glasgow, Truan

Health and Human Services

Relating to the regulation of chiropractors and to the powers and duties of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

S.B. 136 by Glasgow

Criminal Justice

Relating to an indictment for aggravated perjury committed before a grand jury.

S.B. 137 by Sims

Jurisprudence

Relating to the liability of a landowner for injury to a person on his property.

S.B. 138 by Sims

Economic Development

Relating to the return of unearned premiums to certain insureds.

S.B. 139 by Sims

Natural Resources

Relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, operations, fiscal procedures, eminent domain authority, bond, note, and tax authority, and annexation authority of the Gillespie County Underground Water Conservation District.

S.B. 145 by Harris

Economic Development

Relating to the prizes that may be offered or awarded at a bingo occasion.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Glasgow submitted the following report for the Committee on Rules:

C.S.S.R. 6

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 5

Senator Whitmire, on behalf of Senator Green, offered the following resolution:

S.C.R. 5, Granting Texas DeMolay Association permission to use the House and Senate chambers on February 21 and 22, 1987, and February 20 and 21, 1988, for its legislative seminar.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted viva voce vote.

PROCLAMATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

The President laid before the Senate the following Proclamations from the Governor:

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS 41-2120

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Austin, Texas January 16, 1987

TO THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTIETH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION:

Pursuant to Article III, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution, I, Mark White, Governor of the State of Texas, submit the following emergency matter for the immediate consideration by the 70th Legislature, now convened:

Authorizing and making transfers and adjustments of money for the purpose of effecting reallocations of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1987, to expand prison capacity, modernize prison facilities, and ensure the constitutional operation of the Texas Department of Corrections; and, further, to

increase the availability of halfway house beds provided by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles for certain nonviolent inmates eligible for release.

Respectfully submitted, /s/MARK WHITE Governor of Texas

/s/MYRA A. McDANIEL Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS 41-2123

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Austin, Texas January 19, 1987

TO THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTIETH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION:

Pursuant to Article III, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution, I, Mark White, Governor of the State of Texas, submit the following emergency matter for the immediate consideration by the 70th Legislature, now convened:

- S.B. 25 by Barrientos, relating to the eligibility for release on parole of a prisoner serving cumulative sentences;
- S.B. 24 by Barrientos, relating to offenses relating to hazing at or in connection with an educational institution; providing criminal and civil penalties;
- S.B. 26 by Barrientos, relating to the notification of certain county and district officers before an order of parole of, or on a grant of clemency for, certain convicted persons;
- S.B. 92 by Green, relating to the establishment of an industrial solid and hazardous waste materials exchange.

Respectfully submitted, /s/MARK WHITE Governor of Texas

/s/MYRA A. McDANIEL Secretary of State

The Proclamations were read and were filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The President announced the following appointments to subcommittees of Standing Committees:

STATE AFFAIRS

Subcommittee on Elections

Lyon, Chairman Edwards, Vice Chairman Barrientos Henderson Washington

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Subcommittee on Urban Affairs

Whitmire, Chairman Barrientos, Vice Chairman Johnson Leedom Tejeda

SENATE RULE 103 SUSPENDED

On motion of Senator Blake and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 103 was suspended in order that the Committee on Administration might consider S.B. 129 upon recess of this morning's session.

MOTION TO RECESS AND ADJOURN

On motion of Senator Brooks, the Senate at 11:13 a.m. agreed to recess until 2:00 p.m. today when it would meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives to canvass the votes cast for the governor and lieutenant governor at the last General Election, as provided for by S.C.R. 4.

The Senate further agreed that upon conclusion of that Joint Session, it would recess until 12:00 noon tomorrow when it would meet on the south steps of the Capitol for the inauguration of the governor and the lieutenant governor. Upon conclusion of that Joint Session, the Senate agreed to adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, 1987.

AFTER RECESS

JOINT SESSION

(To canvass votes cast for governor and lieutenant governor at the General Election)

Dean of the Senate, Senator Brooks, announced that the hour for the Joint Session of the two Houses to canvass the votes cast for the governor and lieutenant governor at the last General Election, and pursuant to S.C.R. 4, had arrived.

Dean Brooks and the Senators present, escorted by the Secretary of the Senate and the Sergeant-at-Arms, proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives at 2:00 p.m.

The Senators were announced and were admitted and escorted to seats prepared for them along the aisle.

Senator Brooks, on invitation of the Speaker, occupied a seat on the Speaker's Rostrum.

Senator Brooks called the Senate to order and announced a quorum present.

The Honorable Gib Lewis, Speaker of the House of Representatives, called the House to order, stated the purpose of the Joint Session and announced a quorum of the House present.

Speaker Lewis then announced the appointment of the joint committee to canvass the vote and requested the tellers appointed, pursuant to the provisions of S.C.R. 4, to come forward and receive the returns of votes cast for governor and lieutenant governor at the General Election held on November 4, 1986, which returns had been duly delivered by the Secretary of State to the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Senators Edwards, Chairman; Brown, Washington, Henderson and Lyon on the part of the Senate and Representatives Danburg, R. Smith, Earley, Eckels and Garcia on the part of the House, then received the returns and proceeded to count the votes cast for governor and lieutenant governor at the last General Election.

AT EASE

Speaker Lewis announced at 2:15 p.m. the Joint Session would stand At Ease until 3:30 p.m. to await the report of the Joint Committee of tellers.

IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Speaker Lewis called the Joint Session to order at 3:30 p.m.

When the count was completed, the tellers presented the following report, which was read to the Joint Session:

Austin, Texas January 19, 1987

The Honorable William P. Hobby President of the Senate The Honorable Gibson D. Lewis Speaker of the House of Representatives Sirs:

We, the Joint Committee of tellers appointed by the presiding officers of the Senate and House of Representatives to canvass the votes cast at the last General Election held in the State of Texas on November 4, 1986, for governor and lieutenant governor of the State of Texas, as shown by returns delivered to us by the Secretary of State, beg leave to report that we have performed that duty and that the result of our canvass is as follows:

There were votes cast for governor, as follows:

William P. Clements, Jr., Republican Party	1,813,779
Mark White, Democratic Party	1,584,515
Theresa Doyle, Libertarian Party	42,496
Charles Lee, write-in	531
J. Muriel, write-in	139
Others	0

There were votes cast for lieutenant governor, as follows:

Bill Hobby, Democratic Party	2,032,781
David Davidson, Republican Party	1,231,858
Bill Howell, Libertarian Party	47,819
Others	0

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARDS, Chair	DANBURG
HENDERSON	R. SMITH
BROWN	EARLEY
LYON	ECKELS
	GARCIA
the Senate	For the House

For the Senate For the House of Representatives

The report was unanimously adopted by the Joint Session.

Whereupon the Speaker of the House made the following announcement:

Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., having received the highest number of votes, I, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas, declare him duly, legally and constitutionally elected Governor of the State of Texas for the ensuing term of four years; and Honorable William P. Hobby, having received the highest number of votes cast, I, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, declare him duly, legally and constitutionally elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Texas for the ensuing term of four years.

The Speaker of the House then returned the ballots of the General Election to the Secretary of State.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

- S.C.R. 10 By Parker: Memorial resolution for Lyle Vickers.
- S.R. 12 By Brooks: Memorial resolution for John W. McCullough.
- S.R. 13 By Farabee, Anderson, Armbrister, Barrientos, Caperton, Edwards, Glasgow, Green, Johnson, Jones, Lyon, Montford, Parmer, Tejeda, Truan, Zaffirini: Memorial resolution for Judge Robert Cleveland Slagle, Jr.

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

- S.C.R. 9 By Parker: Commending Blair Alayne Boies.
- S.R. 11 By Parker: Extending congratulations to Robert Anthony "Bobby" Thornton.

RECESS

The Dean of the Senate, Senator Brooks, announced the purpose of the Joint Session had been accomplished and declared the Senate at 3:32 p.m. recessed until 12:00 noon tomorrow in accordance with a motion previously adopted by the Senate.

THIRD DAY

(Continued) (Tuesday, January 20, 1987)

AFTER RECESS

JOINT SESSION

(To inaugurate the Governor and Lieutenant Governor)

The Senate met at 12:00 noon in Joint Session with the House of Representatives in the space reserved for the Legislature adjacent to the platform erected at the south entrance of the Capitol for the Inauguration of the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor.

With the Honor Guard of the Ross Volunteers of Texas A&M University standing at attention, Governor-elect and Mrs. William P. Clements, Lieutenant Governor-elect and Mrs. William P. Hobby, with their families and guests Mr. B. Gill Clements, Mr. and Mrs. George Seay, Jr., Mrs. H. Mason Crocker, Mr. Dan Bass, Mr. and Mrs. James Moroney III, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smith, Mr. and Mrs. James Bass, Mr. George Seay III, Miss Pauline Seay, Mr. Paul Hobby, Ms.

Janet McDonald, Ms. Kate Hobby, Mr. Billy Shepherd, Mr. Andrew Hobby, Ms. Melissa Tarkington, Speaker Gib Lewis and Mrs. Lewis, Senator O. H. "Ike" Harris, Chief Justice John Hill, Senator Gonzalo Barrientos, Representative Terral Smith and Mrs. Smith, Reverend Byron G. Crocker and Mrs. Crocker, Reverend Chris C. Steele, Mr. Robert Kelly and Mrs. Kelly, and other distinguished platform guests advanced to the platform.

Following a nineteen-gun salute, The University of Texas at Austin band played the National Anthem.

Senator O. H. "Ike" Harris called the Senate to order and announced a quorum of the Senate present.

Speaker of the House of Representatives Gib Lewis called the House of Representatives to order, announced a quorum of the House present and stated the purpose of the Joint Session.

Speaker Lewis then introduced the Reverend Byron G. Crocker, Rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Beaumont, Texas, who offered the invocation.

Speaker Lewis announced that the Constitutional Oath of Office would be administered to Lieutenant Governor-elect William P. Hobby by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, John Hill.

The Honorable William P. Hobby then took the Constitutional Oath of Office and affixed thereto his signature, which was attested by Chief Justice John Hill.

Speaker Lewis introduced the Honorable O. H. "Ike" Harris, Member of the Senate, who presented Lieutenant Governor William P. Hobby to the Joint Session.

Lieutenant Governor Hobby addressed the Joint Session as follows:

"Governor and Mrs. Clements, Speaker and Mrs. Lewis, distinguished State officials and guests, members of the 70th Legislature, ladies and gentlemen:

The celebration of our State's 150th anniversary has just ended. It was spent recalling Texas' proud past and worrying about our troubled present.

Now let's look at the future. The future lies exactly where the founders of the Republic of Texas knew that it would, in education. The Congress of the Republic committed considerable resources to educate future generations.

By 1990, we should be the second largest state in the nation, having passed New York late this decade. And by the year 2000, we are likely to have more than 20 million citizens, 3 million more than now.

But the most significant change will be in the way we earn our living.

We have had a prosperous economy, but it was a colonial economy. We were dependent on the export of natural resources, as historian T. R. Fehrenbach, who sits on the platform today, has taught us.

Texans have always been adaptable and pragmatic people. They quickly learned the cattle technology of the Mexican vacqueros. They figured out how barbed wire and windmills could create a cattle empire on the high plains. They took oil drilling technology from Pennsylvania and created Spindletop.

Education is as much a tool for the high-technology frontier of the 1980's as those things were tools for an earlier Texas.

In the future, fewer jobs will be based on natural resources. In the 1980's, Texas lost approximately 234,000 high-wage jobs in mining and manufacturing. The

sectors of the economy that are now the fastest growing—defense, biotechnology, telecommunications, health care, finance—that is the future.

Those jobs require more skills. By the year 2000, between 16 and 25 percent of all jobs will require some college education.

We must provide an education that lets every Texan grow just as much as he or she can.

But we are still far from having even a literate work force. More than one-third of our adults don't finish high school, Nearly one-fifth don't finish the eighth grade. Our dropout rate is much too high when one-third of our high school students don't graduate.

Those figures have ominous implications when you consider that 85 percent of the inmates in the Texas prisons are dropouts. About 63 percent of the parents who receive Aid to Families of Dependent Children are dropouts. Some 60 percent of those below the poverty level are dropouts.

We are not yet doing well enough. The State is not doing its job if Texans cannot compete in the new economy.

The State is not doing its job if it promises smaller classes for elementary school children and pre-kindergarten classes for the disadvantaged and then goes back on that promise. It is not doing its job if it shortchanges minority children who need more help, not less.

Increasingly, we look to our colleges and universities to produce the ideas that will create new jobs. We have never lost the entrepreneurial spirit that now must create jobs from the ideas, technologies, and products that spring from research.

Our universities are victims of a brain drain. The word has gone out to the country's academic world, in the words of Texas A&M University President Frank Vandiver, that "Texas has turned its back on the future and marched firmly toward oblivion."

In the past 18 months, 388 faculty members quit our State universities. Two hundred thirty-five of them left to take jobs in other states. And 315 prospective faculty recruits refused jobs at Texas institutions of higher education.

Why? Because they thought the long-term outlook for higher education was better in other states.

It is time to send a different message to the nation, one that says Texas intends to have a world-class system of higher education.

We need to support our public colleges and universities in a way that does not fluctuate with the price of oil. It doesn't make sense to let an Arab sheik decide the quality of education in Texas. It doesn't make sense to balance our budget at the expense of higher education.

We need to give our universities the flexibility they need to manage their budgets and people. And the universities must make the best uses of the resources provided. They must react quickly and responsibly, directing those resources to the needs of the future, rather than the needs of the past.

We need to reaffirm our commitment to educational opportunity for every Texan. Our goal should continue to be a higher education for every qualified student.

Here is a ringing declaration to the world that Texas does cherish <u>learning</u> and <u>research</u> and <u>teaching</u>, that the State does believe that the quality of life is a product of the quality of minds.

Return on investment in education is a long-term venture, but history is on our side. To do less will condemn the State to a long night of ignorance, a result that would not be appreciated by the far-sighted Texans who have gone before us. More important, it is a result that would condemn us in the eyes of future Texans.

Texans have never been unwilling to sacrifice for what was important. They sacrificed at the Alamo and because of that we are an independent people. They sacrificed in the difficult early days of the Republic. They sacrificed in the Dust Bowl of the 1930's, and we benefitted from those sacrifices. Can we do less for future generations?

No Texans I know want to handicap their children with a poor education. No Texans I know want to live in a second-class State.

Education may be expensive. It is not a luxury. If we join hands, if we make the right decisions now, if we make them on the shores of the Gulf of Mexico, and don't let them be made in the Persian Gulf, we can take Texas proudly into the next century. Thank you."

Speaker Lewis then announced that the Constitutional Oath of Office would next be administered to Governor-elect William P. Clements, Jr., by Chief Justice John Hill of the Supreme Court.

The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., then took the Constitutional Oath of Office and affixed thereto his signature, which was attested by Chief Justice John Hill.

Speaker Lewis then presented His Excellency, the Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of Texas, who addressed the Joint Session as follows:

"Lieutenant Governor Hobby; Chief Justice Hill and members of the judiciary; Speaker Lewis; Governors Daniel, Connally, Smith and Briscoe; Members of the Texas Legislature; Congressmen; dignitaries and fellow Texans:

There is no greater honor a Texan in public service can have than to be selected Governor of this State. It is in this spirit of gratitude and appreciation and humility that I approach the opportunity and the responsibility you have given me.

My message today is the <u>status quo is no longer acceptable</u>. Texans are demanding change.

They want their State government to stop "business as usual" and to, instead, consider solutions that in the past were considered impossible. Without question, Texans are ready for new and bold initiatives that will move our State forward into a bright and prosperous future. Our only standard of performance must be to do what is right for Texas.

Certainly all of us realize that in Texas today we are going through a transition period that is, for many of our State's people, the worst of times. Too many people are out of work and worried about their families' health and well-being. The fundamental building blocks of our Texas economy are in trouble.

However, the suffering of our people can and will be cured if we muster the courage and discipline to seize the opportunity at hand and move forward. This is a time of testing. It's the testing of the ingenuity, courage and resourcefulness of our people. We, as Texans, can respond and be successful.

As Ecclesiastes tells us, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven."

Now is the season and time for us in Texas to take advantage of our opportunity and create a new Texas. We must move on to a higher plateau. We must improve

the quality of life for all Texans. We must make certain that our young people have the opportunities that we had. We must re-open our lines of communication with the Federal government in Washington and with Mexico: both are vital to the future of Texas.

We must ensure quality education, attract and encourage the best teachers we can for our schools and universities, restructure the criminal justice system, protect Texans from crime, set our fiscal house in order and create a proper economic climate to attract business and provide jobs.

The next four years in Texas can be literally a historical time, but only if we believe the status quo is not good enough. Abraham Lincoln put it well: "As our case is new, so must we think and act anew."

We can have more jobs and a new economic base. We can establish new frontiers in research and development at our universities that are vital to attracting jobs and creating the new technologies for Texas' future. We can reach pinnacles of excellence in education that will provide our State a skilled work force. We can dream the impossible dream and make it come true...we can, if we act now and if we work for a future of new solutions, new answers.

And to those in need and in despair, I promise we will leave no one behind as we move Texas forward. Our efforts will always be guided by a strong sense of compassion.

Many of these tough issues will be addressed in the coming legislative session. Several will be tagged as emergency items for quick handling in the next few weeks. For example, I will immediately propose to the Legislature reforms in our prisons so we can keep the prison doors open without a policy of early releases.

There is, indeed, an urgency that we get on with this job and so many more. Our situation cries for action.

Our problems are not insurmountable. Our salvation doesn't depend on some magic cure. It depends on us.

On what your leaders in State government do.

On what the men and women who run Texas businesses and farms and ranches do.

On the quality, spirit and determination of our working people.

In short, our success depends on each and every Texan rolling up their sleeves and going to work together to get our State on the move again.

Churchill said that war was far too important to leave to generals. To paraphrase, our problems are far too severe to leave them to State government alone. This is the real world, and every single citizen has the responsibility to play a role in making this transition to a new Texas.

Some Texans have already, in a spirit of patriotism and selfless service to our State, joined me in working for this transition. Texans from every part of the State and from every strata of its society are serving on some blue-ribbon task forces that are tackling these tough problems.

Today is not the time to unveil their detailed programs and recommendations. These will be discussed in my State of the State Address in a few weeks and at other appropriate times in the future.

But some of these task forces have been hard at work on how to create more jobs in Texas, how to make our criminal justice system more just and more certain and how to solve the tough budget problem that faces our State.

I'll be forming other citizen groups to give me and all Texans the benefit of the wisdom and leadership of the men and women who will serve on these committees. We'll be looking at tort reform, higher education, the illegal drug traffic, the accountability and reform of our State government, the protection of traditional family values and of the separation of church and state.

I am certain the Legislature and all Texas will be receptive to the ideas and suggestions of these blue ribbon task forces.

Another group which we will mobilize in our effort to help Texas are our State employees. They are a terrific resource. They are in the frontlines, so to speak, of providing the services of State government. In a spirit not of confrontation, but of cooperation, I will work closely with them to make our State government leaner, more efficient and more effective and I know they can help show us the way.

Texas has reached maturity. We have grown into an integral part of the national economy, and, yes, even the international economy, and we must think in those global terms. Not just national terms, but global terms.

We are an integral part of the national and international community not because we have failed but because we have succeeded and have grown.

It is forecast that Texas will be the second in population among the states and our gross economy is now over \$300 billion a year. If Texas was still an independent, sovereign republic, our Texas economy would be #13 in the world.

It is a part of this maturity that we must live, work and compete in a very tough world.

These issues we face today are Texas issues. They don't wear the cloak of either the Republican or Democratic Party. It is our obligation to do what is right for Texas. For all Texans.

I will always listen and be responsive. I will always respect differing viewpoints. My door will be open. My actions will be straightforward, my word good, and our programs and proposals offered in a full spirit of cooperation and enthusiasm.

The people of Texas elected all of us to address these critical issues. They are depending upon us to use good judgment and reach the right decisions. The people of Texas want us to succeed. For them, the status quo is not good enough. They want action and results.

These are, indeed, the best of times and the worst of times. If we seize this moment of opportunity, we can move in a different direction, set new goals and achieve new heights of prosperity.

It can be done.

By relying on the work ethic.

By encouraging the spirit of entrepreneurship.

By unleashing the creative energy of our people, which can overcome any obstacle.

It can be done and it must be done. We must act today so that future generations of Texans look back at us and say, "They met the challenge."

Theodore Roosevelt described our responsibility. "We are face to face with our destiny and we must meet it with a high and resolute courage. For us is the life of action, of strenuous performance of duty....."

T. R. Fehrenbach writes: "There are many who will always scoff at new frontiers and there are some who will seek them." The greatness of Texas is that we are a people who always seek the new frontier. Once again, we must seek a new frontier. We must move ahead in a determined fashion, to make our dreams come true. With God's blessing and grace, we will succeed!"

The Speaker presented the Reverend Chris C. Steele, Chaplain of Saint Luke's Hospital and the Texas Heart Institute of Houston, Texas, who delivered the benediction.

The Speaker announced that The University of Texas at Austin band would play the State song, "Texas Our Texas".

On behalf of Governor Clements and Lieutenant Governor Hobby, Speaker Lewis invited all guests to attend the Inaugural Parade this afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Harris announced that the purpose of the Joint Session had been accomplished and that the Senate at 12:33 p.m. would stand adjourned until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow, in accordance with a motion previously adopted by the Senate.

FOURTH DAY

(Wednesday, January 21, 1987)

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m., pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Anderson, Armbrister, Barrientos. Blake, Brown, Caperton, Edwards, Farabee, Glasgow, Harris, Johnson, Jones, Krier, Leedom, Lyon, McFarland, Montford, Parmer, Santiesteban, Sims, Tejeda, Truan, Uribe, Zaffirini.

Absent: Green, Whitmire.

Absent-excused: Brooks, Henderson, Parker, Sarpalius, Washington.

A quorum was announced present.

Senate Doorkeeper Jim Morris offered the invocation as follows:

Father, our thought and prayer for today is that in filling any position of trust there exists a real need for matching talent and training with intelligence and integrity. With Thy blessing, may these assembled continue to use their individual skills and experience in resolving the tough and tangled issues facing our State. Amen.

On motion of Senator Harris and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Senator Sarpalius was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Senator Glasgow.

Senator Brooks was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Harris.